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For: AQUEOUS COATING COMPOSITION GIVING COATINGS HAVING AN  
IMPROVED EARLY HARDNESS AND TACK RESISTANCE

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### Remarks

This statement should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no better art exists. Moreover, Applicant invites the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited art to determine its relevance to the subject matter of the present application. Applicant is of the opinion that his claims patentably distinguish over the art referred to herein, either alone or in combination.

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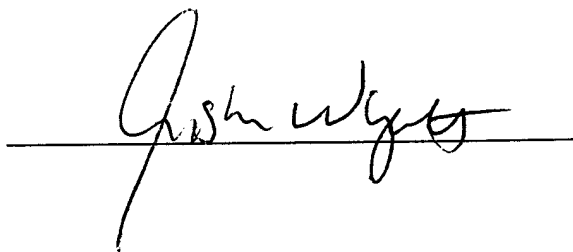
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